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Title: CUTTING TOOL HAVING MULTIPLE SCISSORS

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DECLARATION OF BRUCE W. CHOY

Dear Sir:

I declare as follows:

(1) I am the inventor of the above-identified application, Application Serial No. 09/239,464.

(2) I have seen the Classic Custom Triple Shear Set, which is illustrated on page 6 of the Arius-Eickert Co., Inc. "Professional Scissor and Shear Collection" catalog.

(3) Each of the three pairs of shears of the Classic Custom Triple Shear Set is incapable of opening and closing independent of the other pairs of shears.

(4) In the Classic Custom Triple Shear Set, there are two long screws, one fixedly securing the upper handles of the shears together, and the other fixedly securing the lower handles of the shears together, such that all three pairs of shears move simultaneously.

(5) Fixedly securing both sets of handles effectively disables two out of the three pairs of shears because a transverse force exerted on the handles will bring the blades of one pair of shears together but separate the blades of the other pairs of shears.

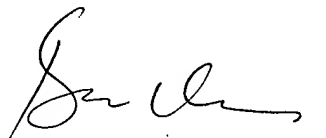
(6) In addition, the Classic Custom Triple Shear Set does not allow each pair of shears to be adjusted individually for tightness.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true, and all statements made herein are made with the knowledge that whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of the Patent and Trademark Office, knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact, or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry, shall be subject to the penalties including fine or imprisonment or both as set forth under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that violations of this paragraph may jeopardize the validity of the application or this document, or the validity or enforceability of any patent, trademark registration, or certificate resulting therefrom.

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Respectfully submitted,



Bruce W. Choy
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